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HAGMAN APPOINTS KOLCHEVA AS NEW CHIEF OF STAFF

San Bernardino, CA – Today, Fourth District Supervisor Curt Hagman announced the appointment of Katherine Kolcheva as his Chief of Staff.

Kolcheva will play a key role in managing the day to day operations of Hagman's Fourth District office and will assist with the planning and implementation of the vision of job growth and innovation that Hagman promised Fourth District residents when he ran for office.

Hagman noted, "Katherine's unique combination of experience, instinct, and knowledge has been an asset to my office and the Fourth District since day one. In 2014 she successfully served as my Campaign Manager in my race for Supervisor, before transitioning into the role of transportation policy advisor, and later to Deputy Chief of Staff. I am highly confident she has the background and experience that is necessary to be successful in this role."

Hagman continued, "Katherine is known by those who have worked with her to possess strengths in the areas of organization, policy insight and communications which enabled her to be an excellent leader in her capacity as Deputy Chief of Staff. Her integrity and can-do spirit is exactly the right combination for public service. These qualities will continue to lead to her success as my new Chief of Staff."

Kolcheva's background includes work as a Regional Field Representative for the Assembly Republican Caucus in service to former-Assemblyman Mike Morrell and then-Assemblyman Curt Hagman. Kolcheva has also held lead roles in several high-profile Inland Empire political campaigns including service as a Regional Political Director to Congressman Gary Miller, Ret.

Kolcheva commented on the selection stating, "The opportunity to work alongside Supervisor Hagman as his Chief of Staff is both humbling and exciting. San Bernardino County is experiencing a time of renewed growth and hope for the future with the recent acquisition of Ontario Airport – which Supervisor Hagman supported and helped bring to fruition. I welcome the challenges and opportunities that this role will bring and look forward to working for Supervisor Hagman in the community that I love."

Kolcheva earned her Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration with a concentration in Business Economics at California State University, Fullerton. Kolcheva will assume her new role as Chief of Staff effective December 10, 2016. Katherine emigrated with her family from Belarus to the United States in 1994. She is a long time resident of San Bernardino County and grew up in the city of Chino Hills.